ZANESVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018

The Zanesville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2018 in the City Council Chambers, 401 Market Street, Zanesville, Ohio.

Mr. Vincent led those present in the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following members of Council answered Roll Call: Mrs. Gentry, Mrs. Norman, Miss Bradshaw, Ms. Gildow, Mrs. Osborn, Mr. Sharrer, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Vincent.

Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent.

Mr. Roberts moved to excuse Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker. It was seconded by Miss Bradshaw. A voice vote was taken with all present being in favor. None were opposed. Motion carries. The gentlemen stand excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Osborn moved to approve the minutes of October 09, 2018 as written, seconded by Miss Bradshaw.

Motion carried. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. The minutes stand approved.

COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, AND RESOLUTIONS

<u>Communication from Mayor Jeff Tilton - Muskingum County Convention Facilities Authority</u> - Mayor Tilton is hereby recommending the reappointment of Stina Harrop to the Muskingum County Convention Facilities Authority Board of Directors effective December 15, 2018 for a four-year term.

Mrs. Osborn moved to receive and concur with the Mayor, seconded by Ms. Gildow.

All present were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent.

Motion carries.

PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Mr. Roberts: I move to insert Ordinance 18-121 as Item 12A. It was seconded by Miss Bradshaw.

A voice vote was taken with all present being in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 18-110 - Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to apply for grant funding through the Lane and Water Conservation Fund for the Zane's Landing Trail Improvement Project.

Mr. Roberts moved for first reading, seconded by Mrs. Osborn.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? I think the deadline is November 15th and I think our meeting is the 12th (actually 13th) so a little time. It will need to go to Public Service. Will this need to be waived in order to submit it?

Mr. Bennett: At that point, yes.

Mr. Vincent: Okay, do we need emergency language in it?

Mr. Bennett: We can insert that at the next meeting.

Mr. Vincent: That will enable us to meet the deadline. Is there any further discussion?

A voice vote was taken with all present being in favor of first reading. None were opposed.

Motion carries. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. This will return to our next meeting.

Ordinance No. 18-111 - Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to provide funds for a Humane Officer.

Miss Bradshaw moved for first reading, seconded by Mrs. Gentry.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? This is routine with the same rates as before. That is our part. If no discussion, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All present were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent.

Motion carries. This will return to our next meeting.

Ordinance No. 18-112 - Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to purchase items for employee recognition.

Mr. Roberts moved for first reading, seconded by Ms. Gildow.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 18-113 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to provide funds to South East Transit for the year 2019.

Mrs. Osborn moved for first reading, seconded by Mrs. Gentry.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? With that, we do have our special guest returning for the annual visit to update us.

Special Guest/Subject Expert-Howard Stewart, Transit Director of South East Area Transit (SEAT) providing an annual report.

Mr. Howard Stewart: I just wanted to share where SEAT has come from last year to now. The transition in SEAT has been the recognition of data, technology, and collaboration. Here is what technology has done for us.

- It has basically increased our ridership in Muskingum County by 6.7%. Ridership is up. It is good. We have buses running.
- We are averaging about 458 passengers a day.
- Our E&D (elderly and disabled) passengers are about 29% of our rider population.
- We are at 23,493 passengers for the year.
- We are now providing transportation in Muskingum, Guernsey, and Noble counties.
- We started a pilot program in Noble County. I will explain a little later one of the reasons we are doing that.
- Our technology, with our scheduling software that I talked about last year, has enabled us to do this. We went live in January with CTS and we created a one stop call center at our transit center where all three of these counties are calling in to schedule their trips.
- We are focusing on customer service. Through that I handed out a flyer called On-The-Go. We created an on the go coordinated position where we will come out and teach people how to ride the bus, do travel training, provide free trips for them. We want to make sure there are no barriers in transportation.
- We are collaborating with agencies. Our CTS software has an agency portal where we are working with several agencies within the community: Genesis, the health department, All-Well, and Muskingum Behavior Health, so they can schedule trips, request trips, right then and there, and get a response if we have it available or not. That has literally transcended us into the next step because they were starting a healthy collaborative committee to decrease cancellations and no shows for medical appointments. They were looking at bringing in a Logisticare, or MAS, or CareSource, or a transit provider and we said we are able to do this. They believed in us and we are making the difference in their transportation right now.
- We don't do this publically as far as same day transportation, but because of cancellations we are able to provide. It is a double-edge sword for us because we schedule out, but we are able to do anywhere between 120 and 140 same day services for a lot of medical services. If someone is getting out of the

emergency room and they call; if we have had a cancellation we will get those individuals who are ready to go. If not, we are collaborating with agencies like the Carr Center. We are getting ready to bring the Zanesville Civic League on board and we are working with a couple more in Cambridge. We are working with the Senior Center to bring them on board. They can provide some gap service for us for peak time service while we are busy or out of town.

- We have independent contractors that we work with, as well as, vendors. All in all, we have probably an area of about 45 individuals providing transportation for us on any given day. We can be in Columbus, Toledo, Cincinnati, and if someone is ambulatory or not ambulatory; we provide that special service because we have the training. Our drivers have the skills to do that.
- So SEAT has transcended. We just got done finishing our coordinated plan and submitted it. It came back to us, but we will get that fixed from our overseers and with that, they are looking at regional coordination. We are working with OMEGA (Ohio Mid-Eastern Government Association) on that. We presented to OMEGA today with the idea we have with our scheduling software. We were able to be the front runner in that.
- ODOT was referring people to us as the leader in Ohio. We are helping people in Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Florida, California, and Indiana. What we are doing here at SEAT with our scheduling software; they were trying to pilot in North Carolina and we figured out how to do it our self here.
- SEAT is actually the leader, as far as the state is concerned, with coordinating transportation. We use independent contractors and agencies in collaboration. So, tomorrow I am presenting in Columbus in front of an independent living counsel on what we are doing for individuals that have disabilities and mobility issues. With our outreach program and how we can schedule, teaching them how to ride free trips, and make sure they have no barriers in transportation.
- All in all, SEAT is continuing to grow. ODOT is moving toward a regional footprint
 in the area and, as far as I am concerned, SEAT is going to be the premier
 transportation provider in that area.

Mr. Vincent: That is great stuff. You impress me each year with what you are doing and what is going on down there. I know it is more than just you, I know you have a lot of help. That is pretty exciting and a lot to be proud of there. Are there any questions?

Ms. Gildow: Mr. Stewart, is there any truth to the rumor that you are changing the name from SEAT to Zuber?

Mr. Stewart: That is the first I have heard that.

Laughter broke out.

Mr. Stewart: Zuber that is a new one.

Ms. Gildow: Congrats! This is great. (As she referred to the Audit certificate Mr. Stewart had left for her)

Mr. Stewart: I give that every year to Ann. That is our audit as it just came back with another perfect audit. That is hard for a transit system to do because they find something. So, very few actually get that.

Ms. Gildow: We have had many a conversation about positive cash flow.

Mr. Stewart: Yes, positive cash flow. We also received the Soars award. We are insured through the Ohio Transit Risk Pool and in our division we led that division with our liability claims of 2%, two cents per 100 miles. We did a great job there. Our drivers are trained well safety wise. I have an all-around great staff and we continue to grow. We are actually taking the café and turning it into a training center for our drivers because we are growing so fast. We have had some growing pains. We have hired over the last four months about 3.5 drivers so kind of capitalizing on the school bus drivers that are off during the day because we are having trouble finding CDL drivers. So they have their CDLs with key endorsements so we are going to utilize them during the peak time and they can go back and drive so we are kind of working that out with our labor agreement and all in all we continue to grow.

Mr. Vincent: With that you brought up a good point, as far as looking at money. The legislation before Council tonight is for \$80,000 towards supporting. Tell me what happens without that money?

Mr. Stewart: That goes toward our local match. Our budget this year going into 2019 is \$3.6 million dollars. It is a pretty large budget; one of our largest because we are growing. We get most of our local match by doing contracts through Job and Family Services. We provide some transportation service for the DD Board. We have just landed two contracts with Job and Family Services for CCMEP, which is Comprehensive Case Management Employment Program. We are working and finalizing and if we can get our legal counsel to come together we are finalizing a contract with Fanatics to provide transportation to them for all shifts from Coshocton into Fanatics, from Zanesville into Fanatics, and possibly Licking County into Fanatics. We may partner with Licking County. Two weeks ago we were up and presented to the Licking County Board of Transit. They were interested in what SEAT was doing and how we were doing it. I took my staff in and just gave them an overview of our accomplishments and how we are able to do what we are able to do.

Mr. Vincent: I don't want to seem like I am negative or against this, but what would happen if that \$80,000 wasn't there?

Mr. Stewart: Every little bit helps. I might be out picking up pop cans. (Laughter) That would be rough. Without us having a dedicated funding source and contract revenue any support that we get from us being an RTA, which is basically a political subdivision it just helps us out. When we submit our invoice to ODOT they take our fares right off the top. We are not able to count fares as revenue, which I think is unfair. The FTA is local people riding your local transit so why couldn't they do that, but unfortunately we

are not able to do that, so it actually counts against us. We are not like some of the larger transit systems that have sales tax levies or property tax levies. So any and every dime we get for local match helps us with a client and getting them where they need to go. It helps us expand services. We are looking in the future at possibly some gap services with a non-profit entity. Possibly in the future we are working towards that for Saturdays and Sundays and after hours when people get off work and we talked about getting to work before hours and after hours. There is a possibility of that coming down the pike. We just might have a young staff that we hired in at the transit center and we are just thinking outside the box of what we can do and what we have for our resources.

Mr. Vincent: So it would cut into services?

Mr. Stewart: Yes, it would definitely cut into services.

Mr. Vincent: You would have to cut lots of corners.

Mr. Stewart: There are many humps.

Mr. Vincent: I have to ask, so okay, is there anything else from Council?

Mrs. Osborn: I can already tell you my family and I are already looking forward to Polar Express in December. So, I know they do a lot of good things for the community, but they have some fun and give families in our community a free chance to ride the bus and have a good experience as a family.

Mr. Stewart: That is on December the 15th this year from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and we will post it right over here at the Chamber.

Mr. Vincent: What is that for those of us that are clueless?

Mr. Stewart: You ride to find Santa. We have particular stops so there is a bus leaving like every 10 minutes where we can transport people. We had 321 people last year and 253 of those were children. We make round loops and at every stop we have individuals that volunteer and tell a part of the story and at the end of the story you might get to find Santa.

Mr. Vincent: Neat, that sounds like fun. Thank you. Is there anything else from Council? Mr. Stewart, thank you again very much. We appreciate you coming a lot be proud of. We are at first reading so all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries. This will return at our next meeting.

Ordinance No. 18-114 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to provide funds to the Zanesville-Muskingum County Port Authority for organizational, promotional, and operational expenses during the year 2019.

Mrs. Osborn moved for first reading, seconded by Mr. Roberts.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Again, we have another annual report from a special guest, Mr. Matt Abbott. He is the Director of Zanesville-Muskingum County Port Authority. There are slides on the screen so people here can watch the Mondo Board over here and Council can watch this one over here. Council also has a handout in front of them of slides printed. Welcome, sir.

Matt Abbott: Thank you very much. I appreciate and look forward to coming and speaking in front of Council and the Administration. We will look at the expansion investment that we have been a part of and associated with in 2018. These are eight different companies. These aren't the only companies in Zanesville or Muskingum County that have shown expansion efforts, but these are ones where we have had programs, associated with assistance, and some of the job creation.

- AMG Peterbuilt and Kenworth are two companies with one here in our community and one that is looking to come here and has plans to locate and has purchased ground to this point. Those are located east in the county.
- JD Equipment on Northpointe, they plan to have a ground breaking the first of November with their facility.
- Dollar General at the Eastpointe Business Park continues to expand their operations and hire. It has been a great company and they are a great community partner and help a lot of local school districts in our area as well.
- Halliburton Oil Field Services, twenty additional jobs that we just talked about recently. Some of their job counts when they tell me how many people are actually working out there really baffled me. They come to our community and in a ten-year period guaranteed that they would hire about 300 people. We have a very conservative number that there are roughly about 700 to 800 employees out there that work out of that facility. It is very exciting for them.
- Malouf Sleep purchased buildings A and B in the Eco Park in Frazeysburg. It is a company that manufactures pillows and bedding. They are actually from Utah. This is a new addition to our community up in Frazeysburg.
- Phillips Meat Packing is another one that is expanding operations and equipment purchases.
- Jepco Recycling and some of you may have seen and heard about that just recently. They are in the former Weller Pottery building. So very exciting to see investment take place in a building and facility in the Putnam area.
- Next is Creative Packaging, this is one I wanted to high-light. This picture was taken about three weeks ago. They are under roof about 65%. This is 20 new jobs. We assisted in the \$350,000 grant for this company. Once they started putting test piers into the soil they found some issues and we were able to get them some grant assistance. That is scheduled to be completed in the 4th quarter. That project is ongoing. It is a very exciting project. When we see existing companies expand, roughly 65% of jobs created in the state of Ohio are created by existing companies. So, we feel at the Port Authority that is our number one goal, our number one job, and one of our large pillars is to work with

- the existing companies. We don't create jobs at the Port Authority, government doesn't create jobs, but we can create a climate where jobs can be created. I think you are seeing some of that today.
- 5B's have committed to 100 new jobs. They have run into some weather issues, so it is running a little slower than anticipated, but roughly a \$6 million dollar investment. The walls and foundations have been delivered. The walls will come in concrete sheets and be put up. That is scheduled to be completed sometime next year. They are actively hiring.

That is just a snap shot of some of the companies that have invested and continue to expand in our community with overall over \$32 million that we have tracked creating over 300 new jobs within our community. So again, we are showing signs and strides and continuing to climb that ladder. Are we where we need to be or where we want to be? By no means, we continue to challenge on and do different things. So looking again to the future, again some of the parks, the Airport Business Park, the Eastpointe Business Park, and Northpointe we are running out of space. We have to be deliberate about creating new vacant land, developing properties, and creating opportunity to get involved in some of the project leads we receive through our office. The worst thing that can happen on a daily basis with us and it doesn't happen on a daily basis, but it happens on a monthly basis is; we have a project that comes to us and we don't have a building where they can fit or we don't have sixty acres where they can locate. To me when we are out of the game and not being able to submit to these potential leads that a lot of times want to come into the community; that is really something that we have to look at.

So, the National Road Business Park, my board, and the county commissioners in partnership again with the City of Zanesville are looking to develop a 203 acre site off of the airport exit. So our investment from the Port Authority standpoint, the county commissioners, and we will be coming to Council probably around the first of next year to talk about some potential investment for water and sewer projects, for roadway works, and those types of efforts.

At this point, we do have some grant funding sources that are out there.

- We have received \$243,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation.
- We have a Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) that is out there for half a million dollars and it is through the USDA
- We just recently finished a traffic study at the airport exit for the entire interchange because we are seeing a lot of activity out there so we are looking to do some traffic enhancements in that area. We received \$18,400 to do that and we have \$500,000 access roads running through the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and the Governor's Office of Appalachia (GOA).

We have really been out there trying to get some dollars to put into this project. I think that is always important. We have had every study that you can think of done on this property: from phase one environmentals, wetlands assessments, to cultural reviews, and we have had a lot of things done. A site planning preliminary engineering and those things have been done. Roughly \$100,000 in studies; and it is not in this slide, but we

leveraged about 60% of those dollars. We still have our partners, so our out of pocket we are roughly about \$40,000 with those, because this is a large investment. It is a large investment for the community so we want to go into it and know everything we possibly can to make the best decision for the community. So the immediate goal again is the 203 acre site. This could house a million square foot facility. So to put that into perspective if you drive to the Eastpointe Business Park and you see the Dollar General Distribution Center, which is a 1.2 million square foot facility; this would house something just a tad smaller than that on a 71 acre parcel. So, again when we are getting some leads, those are leads that we can't submit to so I need this commodity to get that done. The environmental studies have been done for several sites.

The last is just to mention the Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) that has formed. These are something that has grown over time and I think the City of Zanesville, the Port Authority prior to me, and the County Commissioners when the Eastpointe Business Park was formed was very forward thinking. Very forward thinking in the fact that we can give a lot as a community and incentivize companies to come here that are going to continue to raise the bar, but there is also big investments they are taking on by government and the people of Muskingum County. So, what a JEDD does is create a revenue stream to get some pay backs. Pay backs on infrastructure investments, paybacks on roads, paybacks on potential rail, and even paybacks for creating the next opportunity for the residents of your city or your county by investing more into economic development. So ultimately my goal, I think the first time I spoke to you, was to have our organization be self-sustainable over a period of time and I think this is a way we can get there and that is what we are working toward.

Here is a bit of a layout and again there are some layouts of the Eastpointe Business Park when it was first done and it looks nothing like the Eastpointe Business Park to be quite honest. So we don't put a lot of stock and we don't invest a lot of money in this, but this kind of gives just a picture. That is a million square foot facility that you see to the left and you see a two hundred thousand square foot facility just to the bottom of the page. You can see the road access that would come in. There is a lot of opportunity to house and be flexible, because there could be a lead that would come that would take the whole 203 acres. This would give opportunities for a lot of flexibility. That is what we need to be at all times.

So some of the data, currently in Muskingum County, that we looked at. This is a chart that we look at on a regular basis and I just spoke to sophomores at a local high school about opportunities down the road; where are the opportunities? Where are the jobs going to be in our area and where are the institutions that you can go to too be trained? It is funny, because they exist right here in what they are doing. If you look at this chart, the chart of the industry clusters, the X axis you will see is kind of the average wage in Muskingum County, but some of the jobs that we are looking at in the future are the bubbles above. So, coal, oil, oil and gas, power utilities, healthcare, and construction are all ones that we see in the next ten years showing growth and those are some of the higher paying jobs that we have; as well as, food manufacturing, the chemical industry, metal, and product manufacturing. So, looking at those numbers we pay a lot of

attention to this. This kind of determines how we incentivize companies that come here. How we recruit companies to come here by looking at the data.

Unemployment rates for the nation; again something we take a look at, but don't put a great deal of stock in it, but it is something important to pay attention to with the unemployment rates. You will see a lot of times with the peaks that exist are around the first of the year in January when construction has kind of ceased. When you see some of our companies here in Zanesville and Muskingum County have a mandatory shut down during those times. So, that is where you see the peaks and valleys, but from a year ago we still see unemployment rates continuing to decline. The average wages are something very important. You see this chart. This chart starts at 2014 to what it is now. This is something when we are looking at companies coming in here this is what we have to look at; companies that continue to raise the bar. So competition in the work force, you have low unemployment and these numbers are going to continue to get better. So, there are some very exciting things to come. We have a lot of things going on and it has been a very exciting summer.

We also have had some adversity to overcome with the Anchor project and Cardinal Health. I think I would be remiss to come in and tell you all good news; but with a lot of the things with those two companies that they were looking at had nothing to do with Zanesville. It had nothing to do with Muskingum County. It had everything to do with a margin that they were looking at and how they produce goods. So, we are still in contact with one of those companies, but very exciting times and opportunities. With those companies they left some very nice properties and very nice buildings and we are heavily marketing those buildings to be a job creator for now and in the future. That is all I have. Thank you.

Mr. Vincent: Thank you, Mr. Abbott. Are there any questions from Council? You are getting off easy.

Mr. Abbott: Thank you.

Mr. Vincent: You must have covered everything very thorough. Again, thank you, Mr. Abbott, I appreciate you coming. With that we are at first reading, so all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All present were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent.

Motion carries. This will return to the next meeting for second reading.

Ordinance No. 18-115 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance implementing a new City Purchasing Policy for items greater than or equal to \$5,000 and under \$49,999.99.

Miss Bradshaw moved for first reading, seconded by Ms. Gildow.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries. This will return for second reading at the next meeting.

Ordinance No. 18-116 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the Proper City Official to enter into a Professional Contract with Hull Inc. for the design of Pioneer Reservoir Replacement Project.

Miss Bradshaw moved for first reading, seconded by Mrs. Gentry.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 18-117 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the Proper City Official to enter into a Professional Contract with Poggemeyer Design Group Inc. for Design and Bidding Services for the Replacement of the Linden Avenue Sanitary Sewer Pump Station.

Mr. Sharrer moved for first reading, seconded by Mrs. Norman.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries. This will return to our next meeting.

Ordinance No. 18-118 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the Application to the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) for a loan, authorizing a Design Contract with Hull Inc., and authorizing the bid and award of a contract for Construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Climber Screen Replacement Project, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Vincent: A motion to waive or first reading. This did go to committee. Do you need this waived?

Mr. Bennett: Whenever Council is ready. We did go to committee and the committee made a recommendation.

Mr. Sharrer: Yes, I filled in for Mr. Roberts and the Public Service Committee recommended to Council that it pass this Ordinance.

Mr. Vincent: Do you want to waive or go for first reading?

Mr. Sharrer: There was no recommendation either way, but if we need to waive we can.

Mr. Bennett: It would be wonderful if we could move on with the application to OWDA in starting to sign the Hull contract and move to final design authorizing them to bid. So this kind of wraps this up. We would like to get this moved as quickly as possible.

Ms. Gildow moved to waive the readings and it was seconded by Miss Bradshaw.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion on waiving?

Mr. Roberts: Jay, is there any hard data on this, as far as, when we need the application in?

Mr. Bennett: Well, as the committee saw last meeting the piece of equipment is not operating correctly.

Mr. Roberts: Okay.

Mr. Vincent: With that, the concerns are we have potential of stuff going through and not getting trapped or removed and going through our expensive pumps and costing us lots of money and that has happened not too long ago, correct?

Mr. Bennett: Yes.

Mr. Vincent: So we are wasting money there by having to repair pumps that were not protected because this feature is not working properly. Is there any other discussion? Okay. So we will have roll call vote for waiving of the readings.

Roll call vote on waiving of the readings.

7 Ayes

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2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries.

Miss Bradshaw moved for passage, seconded by Mrs. Osborn.

Roll call vote for passage.

7 Aves

0 Nays

2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries. Ordinance is passed.

Ordinance No. 18-119 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to dispose of surplus property. (Street Division)

Mr. Roberts moved for first reading, seconded by Miss Bradshaw.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries.

<u>Ordinance No. 18-120</u> – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City Official to dispose of surplus property for the Sanitation Division.

Mr. Sharrer moved for first reading, seconded by Mrs. Norman.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of first reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries.

Mr. Vincent: With that for our public, it is typical as far as voting on first and second readings as it doesn't really matter other that it gives people an idea as far as where the position is with Council. So the only reading that matters is the third and final reading on whether it will pass or fail. It has been history and tradition at Council long before I started so we have continued that process.

Ordinance No. 18-121 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the Public Service Director to execute a construction contract without formal bidding as provided for by Ohio Revised Code Section 735.051 for the repair of the Sheridan Street and Central Avenue Storm Sewer Project and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Roberts moved to waive the readings and it was seconded by Mr. Sharrer.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion on waiving? Mr. Bennett, do you want to add anything here as far as the emergency?

Mr. Bennett: This is a storm water project and it was discovered last week. We have kind of been in that area before and done some patch work and then late last week it was discovered that we had experienced a collapse and a sink hole was happening so Chip immediately jumped on it and started working on specifications. He has as of last Friday sent out informal quotes with the specifications to contractors. He has put a price of \$60,000 to kind of get this project rebuilt, if you will. The stormwater manhole, associated pipe, and he was proposing to reline the pipe the rest of the way under Central Avenue. The \$60,000 buys us a foot hold and then relining the rest of the pipe that is still in decent shape, but while we are there we might as well spend a little extra money to make sure that is okay too. The fact this comes out of the general fund

contingency fund, because the storm water fund does not have sufficient funds to be able to pay for this.

Mr. Vincent: The waiving then is to prevent flooding problems?

Mr. Bennett: Correct and further collapse and shutting down the road.

Mr. Vincent: Okay, thank you, sir. Is there any other discussion?

Roll call vote on waiving of the readings.

7 Ayes

0 Nays

2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries.

Mrs. Norman moved for passage, seconded by Mrs. Gentry.

Roll call vote for passage.

7 Ayes

0 Nays

2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries. Ordinance is passed.

ORDINANCES FOR ACTION

Ordinance No. 18-109 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing the proper City official to execute relevant documents with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), Drinking Water Assistance Fund (DWAF) Loan for the Pioneer Reservoir Replacement Project.

Mr. Sharrer moved for second reading, seconded by Miss Bradshaw.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of second reading signify by saying aye.

All were in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker were absent. Motion carries. This will return for final reading at our next meeting.

Ordinance No. 18-103 – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing contracts for Administration, Network, Medical Management, and Stop Loss Insurance Services related to the City's Employee Health Plan.

Mr. Sharrer moved for third reading and passage, seconded by Mr. Roberts.

Ms. Gildow: Just a comment that this among other items on the agenda this evening went through Ways & Means Committee and that committee recommended approval by Council.

Roll call vote for passage.

7 Ayes

0 Nays

2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries. Ordinance is passed.

<u>Ordinance No. 18-105 Amended</u> – Introduced by Council – An Ordinance authorizing a Maximum Schedule of positions for the City of Zanesville's Workforce.

Mr. Sharrer moved for third reading and passage, seconded by Mrs. Osborn.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? With that we do have Dr. Doug Baker here. He is the Superintendent of Zanesville City Schools. He is here as a special guest to present information to us as far as additional officers at the schools. Thank you for coming, sir.

Dr. Doug Baker: Thank you. Good evening. Thank you for asking me to present on this policy and collaboration between the City School District and the City. It is interesting that one of the parts of my job is that I will get phone calls from prospective administrators that are working through and trying to get their superintendent certificate or principal certificate. They will ask if they can come and shadow or can they come and talk to me for a while. Obviously, I say of course and we spend some time together. As we talk, one of the things they talk to me about is what is the number one thing that is most important to schools? I think they are always leaning towards the academic side. The reality and my answer to them is the number one rule for superintendents and school administrators is student safety. That is our number one item, followed by all of those other things like academics, extra-curriculars, and co-curricular; but safety is our number one focus. That is just not that we have school buses in working order, that we have buildings that are clean and neat and there are not cracks in the sidewalks, but also a proactive is an expectation of our community that we go beyond. We take a look at what has happening around us and what is happening in our world and to make the proper modification in what we are doing inside the schools to keep our students safe, or our facility safe, and have that secure learning environment. There is no better way to learn than to learn in a place where you feel safe and secure. So, safety and academics actually go hand-in-hand.

One of the biggest components of that safety and being proactive are our School Resource Officers. We have been very fortunate to have School Resource Officers with us the last couple of years and here recently we have increased that number. The Zanesville City Schools Board of Education has made a strong commitment to put a School Resource Officer in every one of our buildings to provide safety and security for our students, parents, and staff; but it actually goes well beyond that. The School Resource Officers who are providing that safety and security and doing a wonderful job

with that; are providing much, much more. At the elementary level you will see them interacting with students and at the middle and high school interacting with students as well; but, in a different way. At the elementary level they might be tying a shoe, opening up that milk carton they can't get open, but it is that positive interaction. At most high school levels they are attending extracurricular events, they are mingling with students, so it is all about that networking that is taking place and developing those positive interactions between our students and law enforcement. I think really addressing some of those barriers.

I was asked not too long ago what I felt about the School Resource Officers and how our students perceive them. The word endearing came to my mind. The School Resource Officers have endeared themselves to not only our students, but to our staff. They are actually considered staff within our schools. They are doing just a wonderful job.

We love the partnership. We were actually talking a little earlier about the school collaborations. We were talking about Wooster and when Wooster many, many years ago built their school they did a college, a school, the YMCA, and Senior Center all on the same campus; all together. People looked at that and said wow, what a wonderful idea. What a wonderful collaboration. When I go out into my education networks and we are talking about school security and school safety and they say what is going on in your community? I talk about the good relationship that we have with the City and that we have made a commitment to have School Resource Officers in all of our buildings and our City Council is working with us to make sure that becomes a reality and that we are working at this as a win, win, and win situation. We are finding that good collaboration and the folks are saying just like in Wooster when you put all of those things together, wow, you are having conversations and you are moving forward. How do you do that? How do you start that conversation? We want to do that in our community as well if we can afford to do it; which is one of the items that you may have seen in the news lately. We have a renewal coming up and part of that renewal is with an addition and that addition is to enhance and maintain our school safety and security that we have on campus. Do you have any questions for me?

Mr. Vincent: Does Council have any questions?

Mr. Sharrer: I would just like to commend you and your staff and Administration there at Zanesville City Schools for what you have done with the School Resource Officers. I know through budget hearings and different things it always comes up when we are discussing the School Resource Officers how much they have impacted the kids that attend Zanesville City Schools. I know my son who has graduated and moved on. He actually started as a freshman with no School Resource Officer in the building at Zanesville High School and his sophomore year we had a School Resource Officer start at the high school and he said it was night and day difference. It has continued to get better as my daughter has moved up through the high school as well. So I imagine starting at the elementary levels and the middle school and that kind of thing certainly helps all the way across so I do see it as a win, win, win.

Dr. Doug Baker: Absolutely. I agree. It has really changed the climate and atmosphere for a very positive reason. I think most of the students know the School Resource Officer; when I visit the school, some of them say I think that is the President.

Mr. Vincent: Is there anything else from Council?

Ms. Gildow: Just a comment that it really works both ways too because ideally some of those kids having a favorable relationship will choose law enforcement as a career which is important and also from a community standpoint we see so much elsewhere where it is an adversarial thing and if we can see a rapport developed it certainly improves the chances that there is not going to be conflict moving forward. So, I think that means a lot to the whole community too.

Dr. Doug Baker: Absolutely, and again just good advice as I have been in school where they have talked about what do you do if you get pulled over. The first thing is always don't panic, just relax. It is going to be a good interaction. You just have to know where your driver's license is, you have to know where your registration is, and you have to know where your insurance is. Think about those things in advance before you get in that car. Those are the things we are going to be asking for; so, there is that good interaction and good communication and a big word that comes to mind often are that pro-active response.

Mr. Vincent: Is there anyone else? Okay, Dr. Baker, you briefly mentioned the levy and that is for help fill in a little bit more for me.

Dr. Doug Baker: On the levy we have a renewal levy. So it is this levy and it goes back several years into the 1990's I guess 1989. Every five years it has been renewed. It was an emergency at the time. That levy is up for renewal. Instead of just a renewal we have an addition to that renewal of \$500,000 and that is to cover the cost of our School Resource Officers into the future, as well as, some other safety and security measures. For example, updating our camera systems and updating our locking mechanisms on our doors. I don't know if you have been by any of the schools lately and you see some film on some of the windows; we want to increase that. The film you can see out, but you can't see in during the daytime which improves security. The locking mechanisms on the doors, I mentioned different software that we are interested in, but that largest cost that would come out of that addition of \$500,000 would be the cost of the School Resource Officers.

Mr. Vincent: Thank you very much, sir. We appreciate it. Okay, with that we are at third reading. Are there any other questions? We will have roll call vote.

Roll call vote for passage.

7 Ayes

0 Nays

2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries. Ordinance is passed.

Ordinance No. 18-107 – Introduced by Council - An Ordinance authorizing the proper city official to enter into a Professional Contract with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. Consulting Engineers (CMT), for the design & bid, as well as construction oversight, of the Airport Runway 16/34 Lighting Improvement Project.

Ms. Gildow moved for third reading and passage, seconded by Miss Bradshaw.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion?

Roll call vote for passage.

7 Ayes

0 Nays

2 Absences Mr. Foreman and Mr. Baker

Motion carries. Ordinance is passed.

TRAFFIC ORDERS

Traffic Order 18-04

SECTION ONE: Traffic Order 18-04 is hereby to close Slate Alley North for 310 feet from Elmore Street.

SECTION TWO: The appropriate signs shall be installed in accordance with O.R.C. 4511.09.

Mr. Roberts moved to receive this Traffic Order. It was seconded by Ms. Gildow.

Mr. Vincent: Is there any discussion? With this I don't know if anyone knows I did some searching last night. This is I assume the alley behind the community school?

Mr. Bennett: Yes. Correct and the Administration Center. The school district has made an application to vacate. While they continue to work, which has it has been tabled for six months at the Planning Commission. While they continue to work with neighboring property owners behind them to work out ingress and egress so the traffic order does what it is needed to do to be able to get kids safety from the back of the school to the new building while that is being worked out.

Mr. Vincent: I assume it doesn't include that house up on the north end?

Mr. Bennett: It stops short of those to allow those two property owners property ingress and egress off of Pierce.

Mr. Vincent: Okay, sounds good. Is there anything else? So, all in favor signify by saying aye.

A voice vote was taken with all present being in favor. None were opposed. Mr. Baker and Mr. Foreman were absent. Motion carries.

MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Vincent: I would like to say a special thank you, not to embarrass you, but it is nice to see a new female officer in the back with us here tonight, Officer Glaub. Is that right?

Officer Glaub responded yes.

Mr. Vincent: Thank you for coming. We are delighted to have a female. That is great.

PRIVATE PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Non-agenda item petitions filed

No private petitions were filed for this meeting.

Mrs. Osborn moved to adjourn and second by Mr. Sharrer. A voice vote was taken with all present being in favor. None were opposed. Motion carries.

The meetings adjourned around 7:50 p.m.